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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director

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FROM

John F. Blake

Deputy Director for Administration

SUBJECT

Summary of Personal-Property Claims Activity

During Calendar Year 1975

The attached memorandum, again, is more background reading, designed to give you a continuing insight into the many facets of activity involved in the operation of this large organization.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration

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During Calendar Year 1975

1. This memorandum is for your information only.

The normally slow-paced, stable volume of personalproperty claims processed by the Agency soared during calendar The increase in both the volume and dollar value year 1975. of claims received from Agency employees was, of course, predictable in light of the emergency evacuations (from the summer of 1974 through the spring of 1975) of our employees and their families from overseas posts. The vast majority of these evacuation claims reached the Claims Review Board during the first 9 months of 1975, but some are still trickling in. The figures cited in this memorandum and the attachment summarize the claims which were completed during 1975, as well as those which have been brought forward for action during 1976. In addition, a comparison is drawn to 1974 claims activity, highlighting the sudden expansion in our claims business. Our 1975 statistics are categorized as ordinary claims (all those which are not evacuation losses), Southeast Asia evacuation claims, and claims. The 1974 statistics used for comparative purposes cover ordinary were completed during that year, claims only; no and the Southeast Asia evacuations had not yet occurred. Some of the more pertinent statistical findings are:

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a. The 491 claims completed during 1975 represented an increase of 225 percent over 1974 claims completed. These 491 claims totaled \$1,088,900 or an increase of more than 1,300 percent above the amount claimed in 1974. Of that total claimed in 1975, \$681,700 was allowed, a dollar approval rate of 62.6 percent in 1975 compared to the 57.5 percent approval rate of 1974. (This increase is partly caused by the most recent amendment to the Military Personnel and Civilian Employees' Claims Act, which raised the amount payable per claim from \$10,000 to \$15,000 for losses occurring after 18 October 1974.) The average 1975 claim amounted to \$2,218 compared to \$506 in 1974, and the average award totaled \$1,388 in 1975 compared to \$291 in 1974.

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b. In percentages, the 491 claims totaling \$1,088,900 completed during 1975 and the additional 112 claims totaling \$553,900 carried forward for action in 1976 are distributed as follows:

		No. Completed	No. Carried Forward
STATINTL	Ordinary claims Southeast Asia evacuation claims Claims Totals	$ \begin{array}{r} 38.7 \\ 54.6 \\ \hline 6.7 \\ \hline 100.0 \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{r} 41.1 \\ 42.8 \\ \underline{16.1} \\ 100.0 \end{array}$

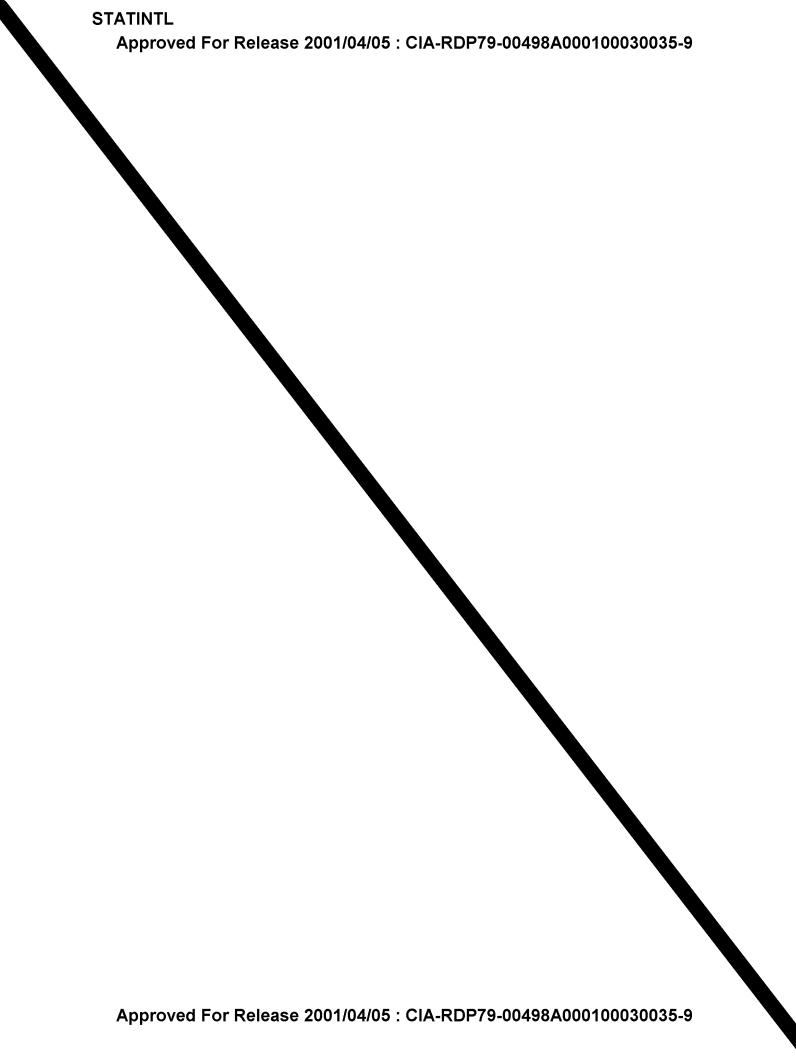
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c. In 1975, we received or brought forward from the previous year a total of 603 claims amounting to \$1,642,800 (491 totaling \$1,088,900 completed during 1975 and 112 totaling \$553,900 carried forward to 1976). Those 603 claims consisted of 236 ordinary claims totaling \$180,800, 316 Southeast Asia evacuation losses totaling \$1,333,200, and 51 cases totaling \$636,500. By the end of 1975, 81.4 percent of those 603 claims had been completed (80.5 percent of the ordinary claims, 84.8 percent of the Southeast Asia evacuation claims, and 64.7 percent of the

- 2. Ordinary claims climbed both in numbers and dollar amounts in 1975, continuing the steady but gradual upward trend of the past few years. In 1975 and 1974 respectively, 190 versus 151 ordinary claims were completed, the average amounts claimed were \$722 versus \$506, and the average amounts allowed were \$402 versus \$291.
- 3. As the above distributions show, the larger number of claims originated from those employees who were forced to leave Southeast Asia during the spring of 1975. Their average losses, though, were minimal compared to the far fewer The average Southeast Asia evacuation claim processed in 1975 totaled \$2,169, while the average totaled \$11,227. The average amount allowed on Southeast Asia claims was \$1,516 compared to \$6,033 for

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16 October 1975. Nearly 40 of those 87 remaining claims require more information from the claimants involved (as is frequently the case) and cannot be acted upon by the Claims Review Board at this time. Unless the near future brings another large-scale, multiple-loss situation, we believe we will reach an acceptable workload level within the next 2 months.

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Chairman, Claims Review Board

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ANNUAL REPORT ON PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIMS

Summary of Calendar Year 1975 Activity and Comparison to Calendar Year 1974

	CALENDAR YEAR 1975	No. of Claims		mount laimed	Amount Allowed	Dollar Percentage Allowed
	Ordinary Claims Processed (Other than evacuation losses)	190	\$	137,200	\$ 76,300	55.6
	Southeast Asia Evacuation Claims Processed	268		581,200	406,300	69.9
	Claims Processed	33		370,500	199,100	53.7
	Total Claims Processed	491	\$1	,088,900	\$681,700	62.6
	Carried Forward From 1975 to 1976:					
STA	Ordinary Claims	46	\$	43,600		
	Southeast Asia Evacuation Claims	48		244,300		
	Claims	18		266,000		
	Total Claims Carried Forward to 1976	112	\$	553,900		
	CALENDAR YEAR 1974					
	Ordinary Claims Processed	151	\$	76,400	\$ 43,900	57.5
	Southeast Asia Evacuation Claims Processed					
	Claims Processed					
	Total Claims Processed	151	\$	76,400	\$ 43,900	57.5
	Ordinary Claims Carried Forward From 1974 to 1975	81	\$	37,500		
	Total Claims Carried Forward to 1975	81	\$	37,500		
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NOTE: All dollar figures are rounded to the nearest hundred.

Breakdown of Calendar Year 1975 Claims

	No. of Claims	Amount Claimed		Amount Allowed	Dollar Percentage Allowed
Ordinary Claims (Other than evacuation losses):					
Approved (including appeals)	146	\$	110,400	\$ 76,300	69.1
Denied and/or withdrawn	44	· · · · ·	26,800	0	0
Total Ordinary Claims Processed	190		137,200	76,300	55.6
Claims Carried Forward to 1976	46		43,600		
Total Ordinary Claims Workload for Year	236	\$	180,800		
Southeast Asia Evacuation Claims:				<u> </u>	
Approved	265	\$	580,100	\$406,300	70.0
Denied and/or withdrawn	3		1,100	0	0
Total Southeast Asia Evacuation Claims Processed	268	\$	581,200	\$406,300	69.9
Claims Carried Forward to 1976	48		244,300		
Total Workload for YearSoutheast Asia Evacuation Claims	316	\$	825,500		

	No. of Claims	Amount Claimed	Amount Allowed	Dollar Percentage Allowed
Approved	33	\$ 370,500	\$199,100	53.7
Denied and/or withdrawn	0	0	0	0
STATINTL Total Claims Processed	33	\$ 370,500	\$199,100	53.7
Claims Carried Forward to Succeeding Year STATINTL	18	266,000	ter Bareller ville v	
Total Claims for Year	51	\$ 636,500		

Breakdown of Calendar Year 1974 Claims					
	No. of Claims	Amount Claimed		Amount Allowed	Dollar Percentage Allowed
Ordinary Claims (Other than evacuation losses):					
Approved (including appeals)	133	\$	58,800	\$ 43,900	74.7
Denied and/or withdrawn	18		17,600	0	0
Total Ordinary Claims Processed	151	\$	76,400	\$ 43,900	57.5
Claims Carried Forward to 1975	81		37,500		
Total Ordinary Claims Workload for Year	232	\$	113,900		

